

**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Application Number	09/009,294
Filing Date	January 20, 1998
First Named Inventor	Mills
Art Unit	1745
Examiner Name	Kalafut
Attorney Docket Number	62-226-8A2

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on 01/03/02
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☒ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

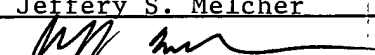
3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-0687
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) 08/06/2002 TGEDAMU1 00000022 09009294
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 1,401 enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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Name (Print/Type)	Jeffery S. Melcher	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	35,950
Signature		Date	08/05/02

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AMOUNT ENCLOSED	\$1,401	Examiner Name	Kalafut

FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 10/01/97)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
TOTAL CLAIMS	300	299	1 ⁽³⁾	X \$18.00 =	18.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	18	17	1	X \$84.00 =	84.00
Since an Official Action set an <u>original</u> due date of _____, petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$400); 3 months (\$950); 4 months (\$1,510); 5 months (\$2,060)); 5 months					1,960
If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110)					+
Total of above Calculations =					\$2,062
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28)					-1,031
TOTAL FEES DUE =					\$1,031

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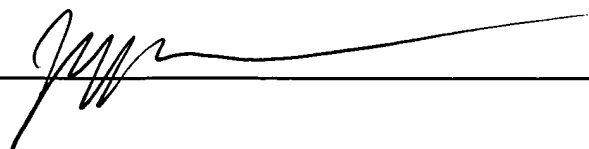
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